

# Advanced Control

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# The Exam

- Friday, 14<sup>th</sup> March 2014 from 08h00 till 11h15
- open book: take as much material as you want
- combination of
  - questions on paper (to be handed in)
  - practical exercises (send source code and results by e-mail)
- 2 ECTS points

All information also available at

`http://researchers.lille.inria.fr/~brockhof/advancedcontrol/`

(exercise sheets, lecture slides, additional information, links, ...)

# ***Advanced Control: What is that?***

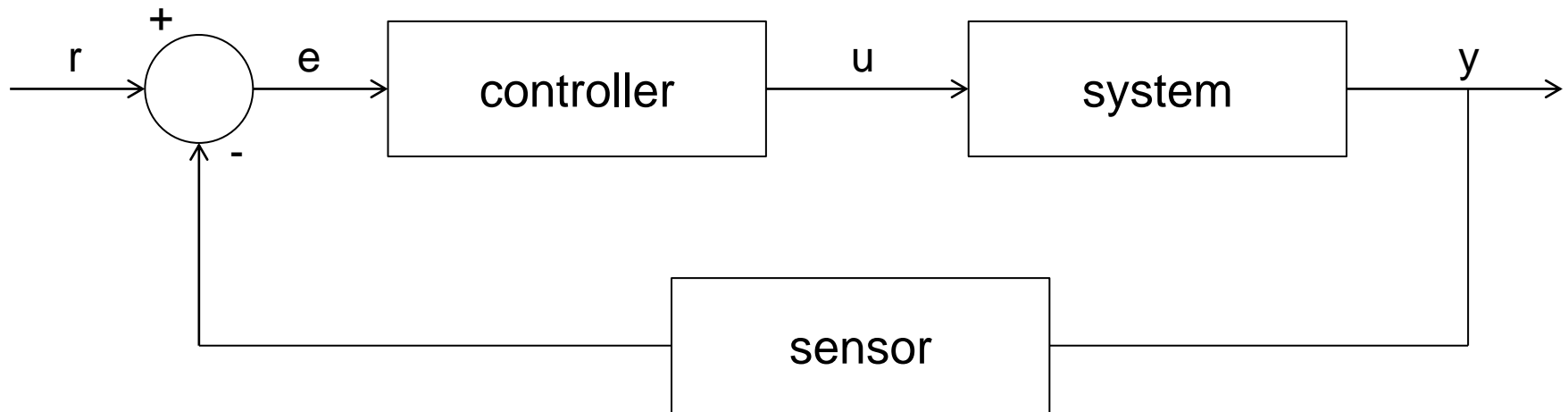
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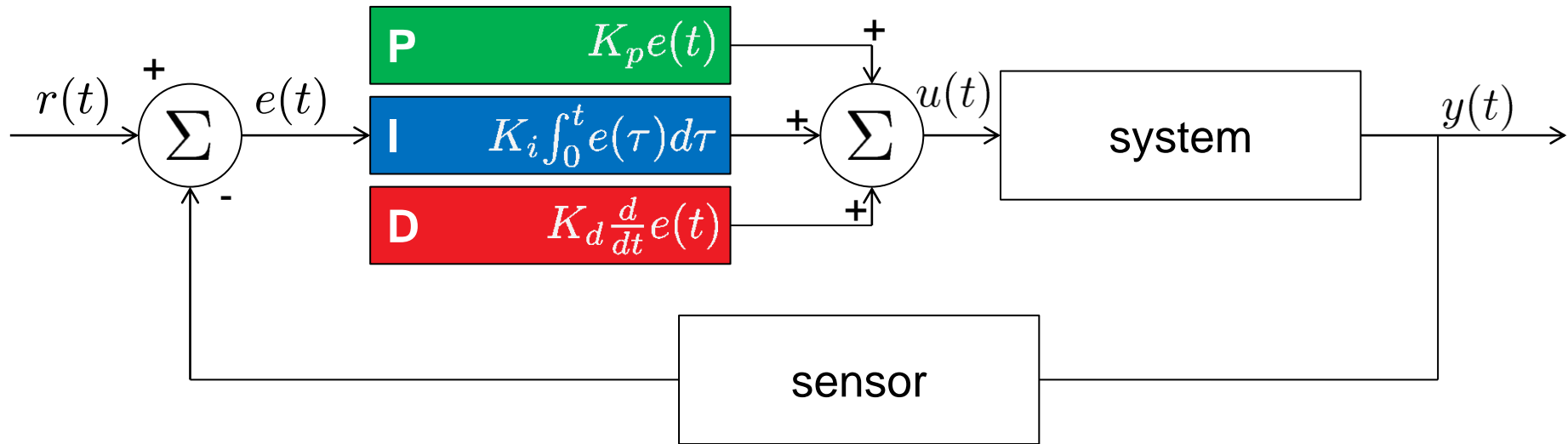
## Control Theory / Control Systems Engineering

- mathematical/engineering discipline
- dealing with the understanding and controlling of the behavior of **dynamical systems** over time

## A Single-Input-Single-Output (SISO) controller



# Revision: PID Controller



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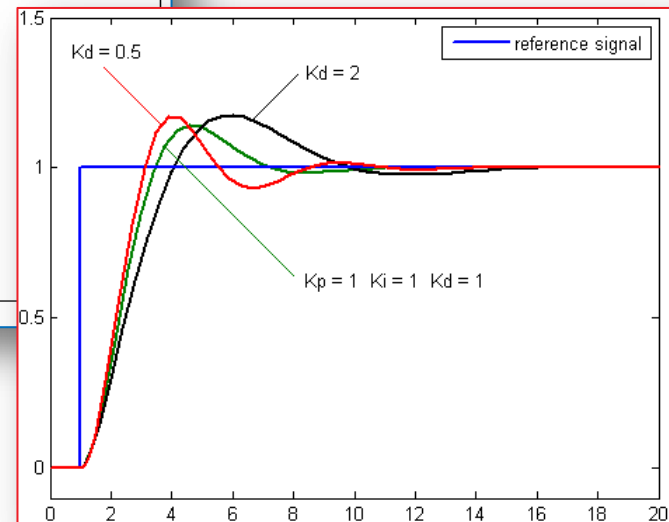
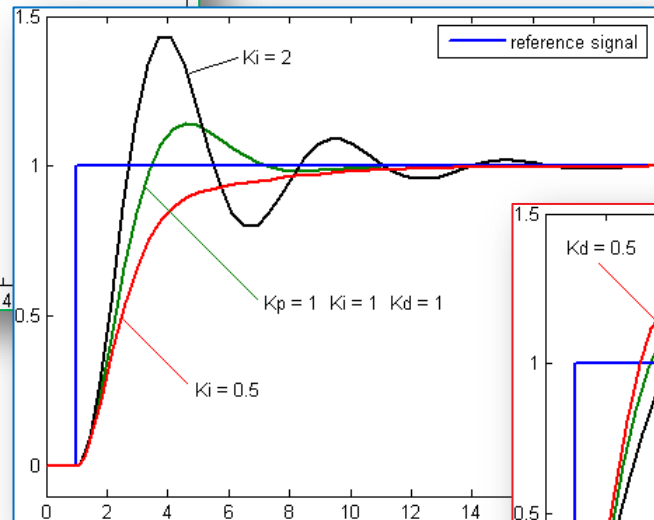
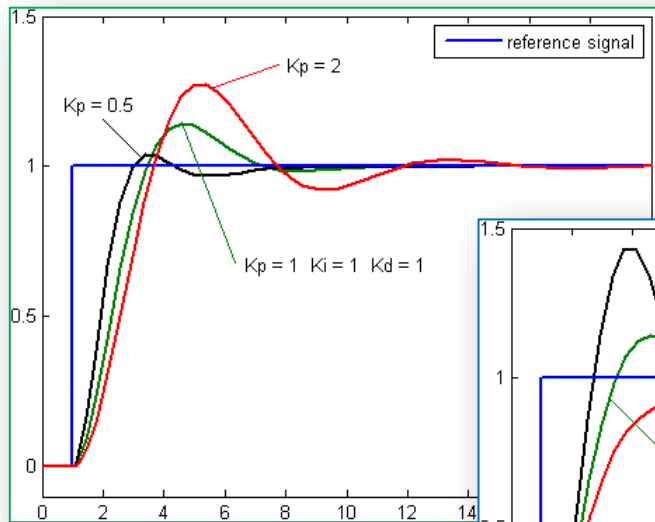
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# Link to Optimization

- the three variables  $K_p$ ,  $K_i$ , and  $K_d$  have to be adjusted
- optimization: automated way of finding good solutions (other term: “parameter tuning”)

## Online vs. Offline optimization

- offline = before deployment: finding the overall best system
- online = during deployment: finding the currently best response

## Deterministic vs. Stochastic/Randomized optimization

- deterministic = optimization result always determined by init. cond.
- random = use randomness to search

# A Simple Control System Everybody Knows

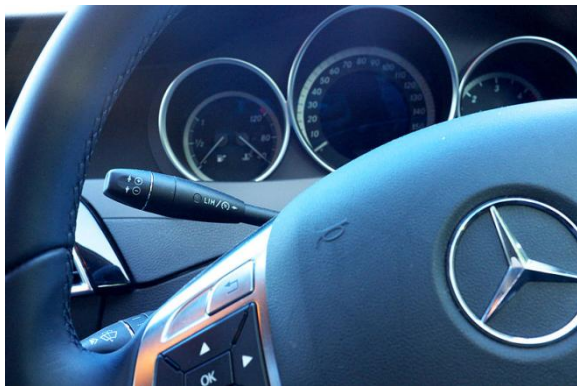


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# Application Areas of Control Systems Engineering

**Control Systems Engineering** applied in several industrial sectors (keyword “embedded systems”), such as

- automotive sector, e.g. “cruise control”
- chemical engineering: “process control”
- robotics



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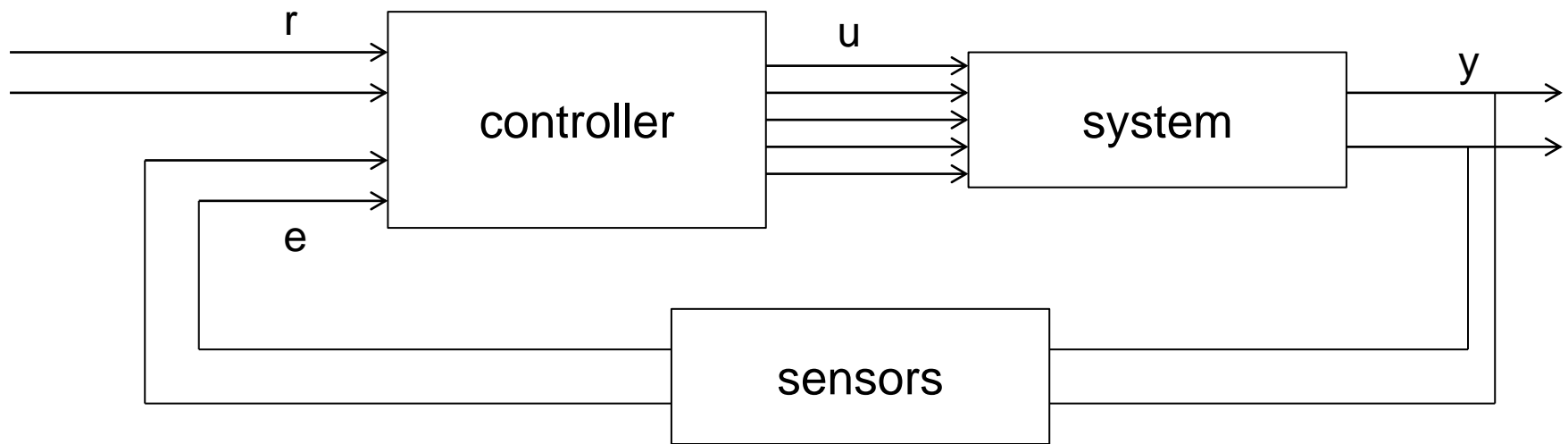
Richard Greenhill / Hugo Elias

- term not clearly defined
- other term could be “modern” control (in comparison to “classical” control theory)
- more complicated controllers
  - designed by means of meta-models
  - optimized by means of (randomized) search heuristics

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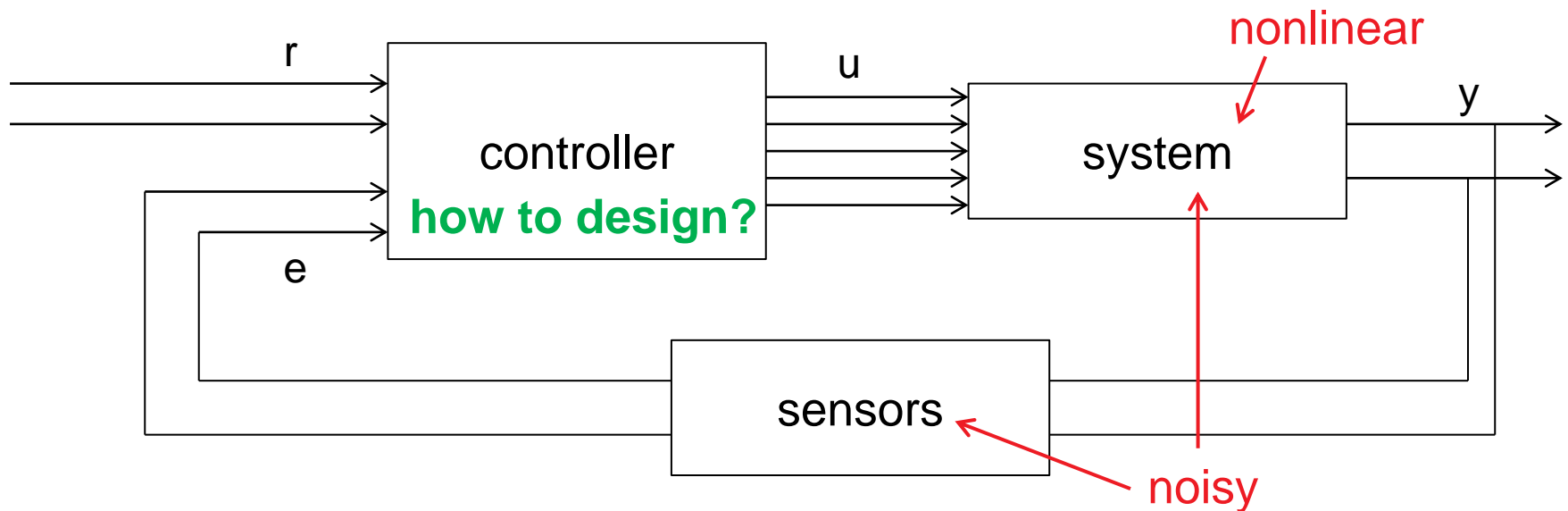
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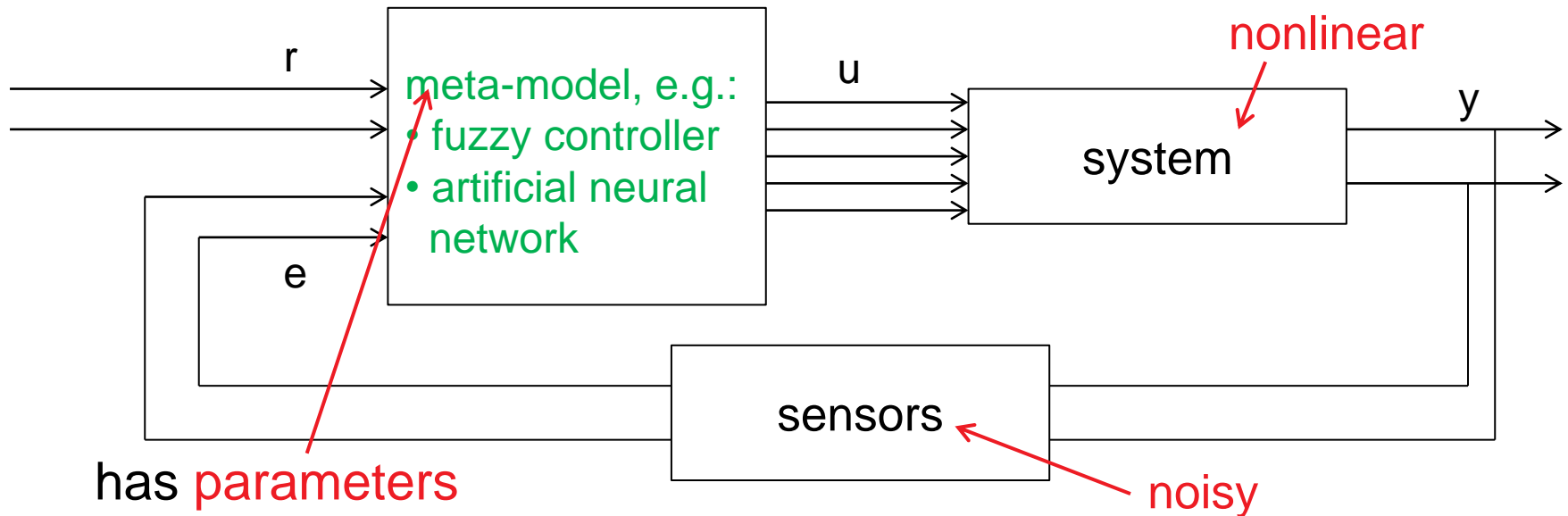
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focus on *computational intelligence* concepts

## Artificial Intelligence

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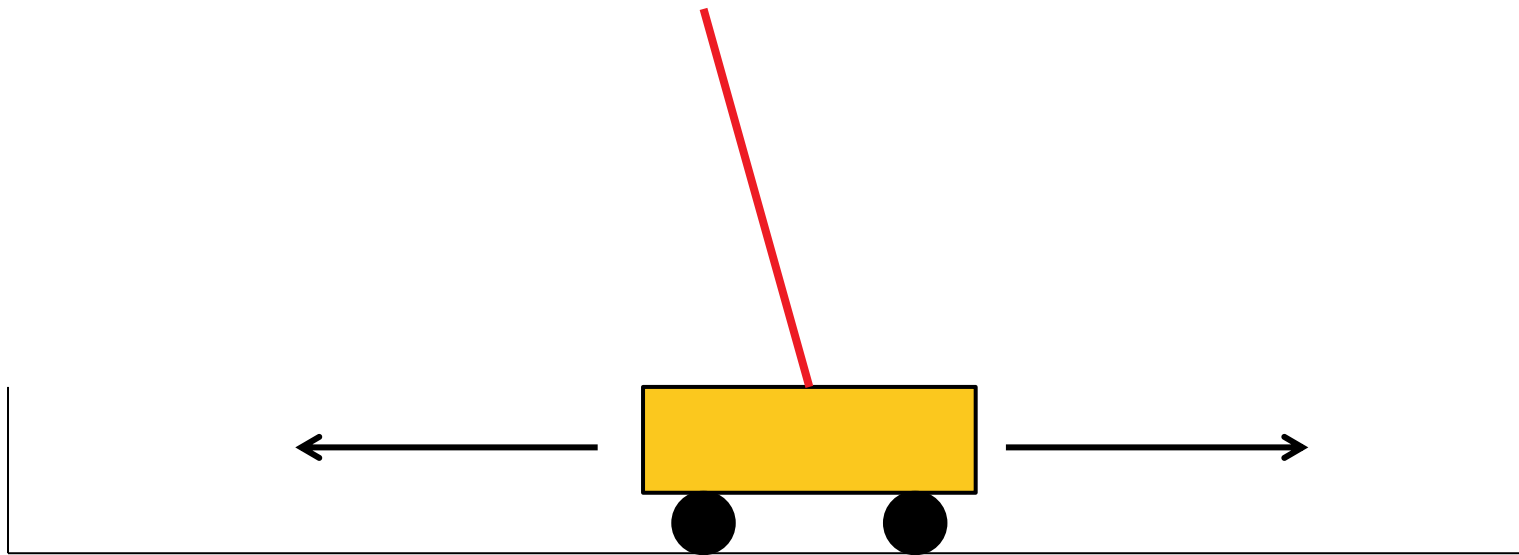
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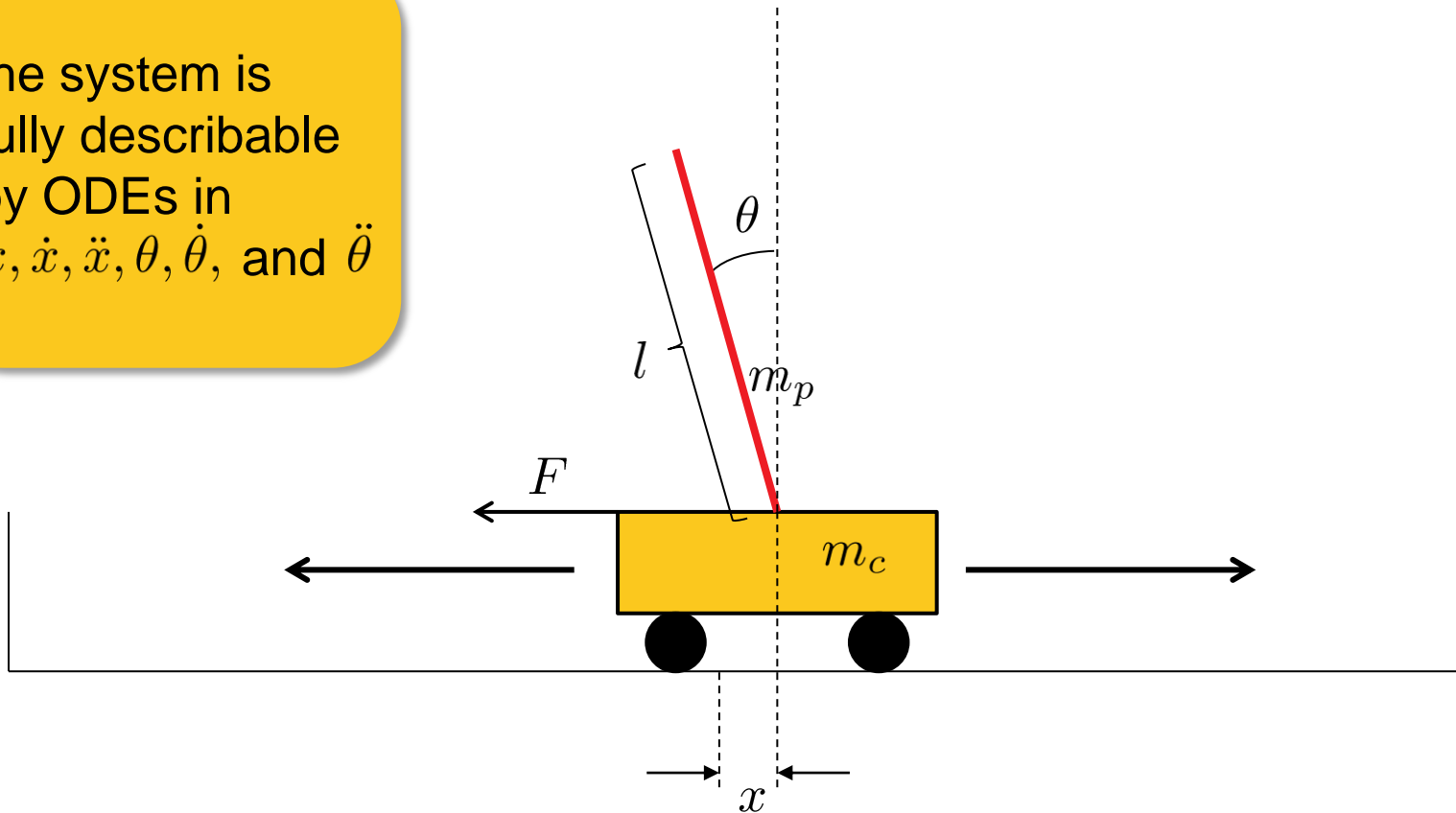
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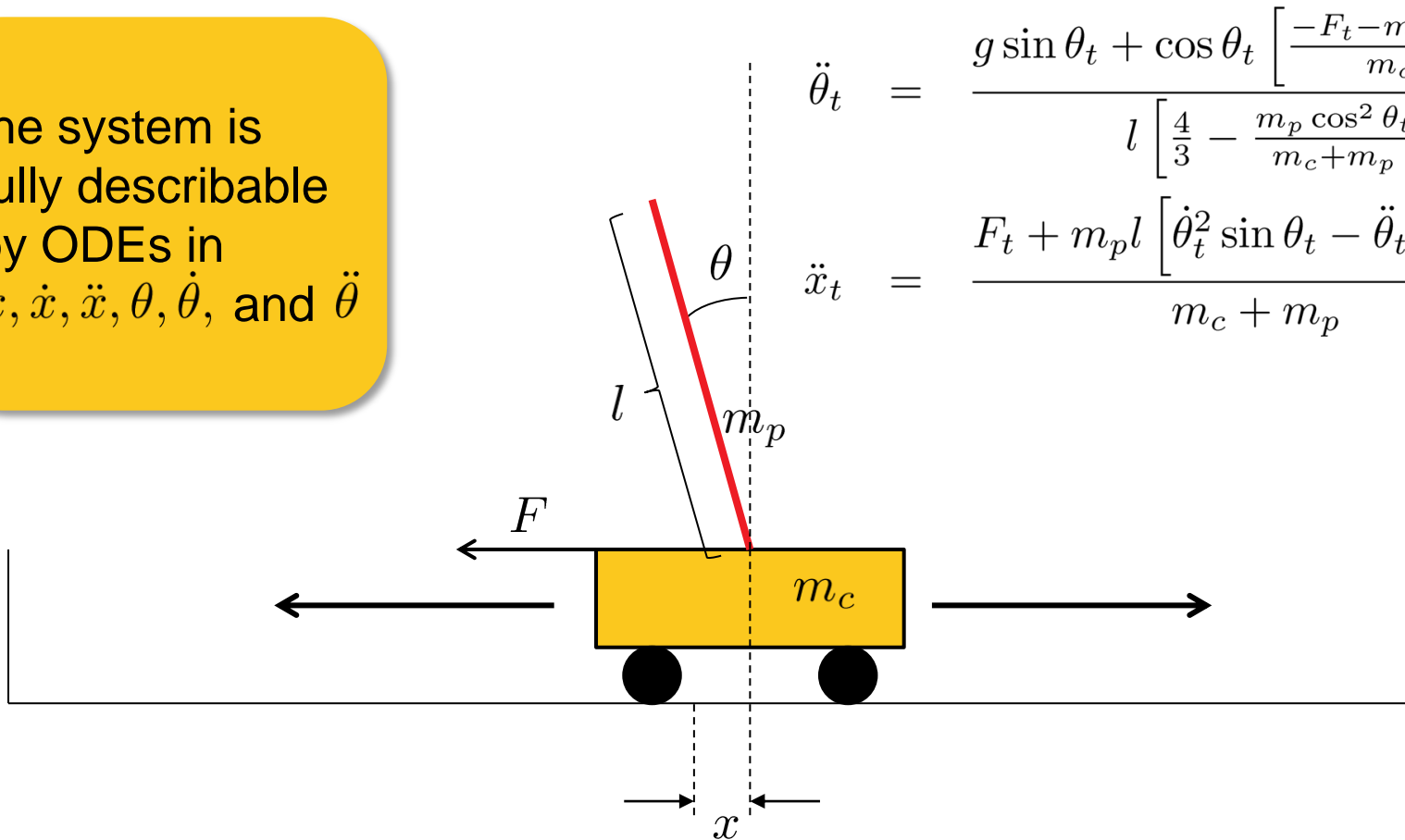
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# The Pole Balancing Benchmark

$$\ddot{\theta}_t = \frac{g \sin \theta_t + \cos \theta_t \left[ \frac{-F_t - m_p l \dot{\theta}_t^2 \sin \theta_t}{m_c + m_p} \right]}{l \left[ \frac{4}{3} - \frac{m_p \cos^2 \theta_t}{m_c + m_p} \right]} \quad g \approx 9.81 \text{m/s}^2$$
$$\ddot{x}_t = \frac{F_t + m_p l \left[ \dot{\theta}_t^2 \sin \theta_t - \ddot{\theta}_t \cos \theta_t \right]}{m_c + m_p}$$

Due to the constraints at all time steps  $t$ :

$$-r \leq \theta_t \leq +r$$

$$-h \leq x_t \leq +h$$

$$-F_{\max} \leq F_t \leq +F_{\max}$$

# Simulated Pole Balancing

Given all the parameters of the system, what do we do with it?

**Answer:** simulate!

- starting point: certain (random) position and angle; velocities and accelerations are zero
- choose discretization time step (e.g.  $\tau = 0.02s$ )
- at each time step, do:
  - compute  $\ddot{\theta}_t$  with values  $\dot{\theta}_t$  and  $\theta_t$
  - compute  $\ddot{x}_t$  with  $\dot{\theta}_t, \theta_t$  and the new  $\ddot{\theta}_t$
  - $x_{t+1} = x_t + \tau \dot{x}_t$   
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! The above scheme is also known as **Euler method**



# Polebalancing: Linear Control Law

## Remark:

if the values and velocities of both position and angle are measured, there exists a linear (bang-bang) controller of the form:

$$F_t = F_m \operatorname{sgn}(k_1 x_t + k_2 \dot{x}_t + k_3 \theta_t + k_4 \dot{\theta}_t)$$

## But still:

optimization necessary to estimate  $F_m, k_1, k_2, k_3, k_4$

## And what if

- not all sensors are available, or if they provide only noisy measurements?
- we take into account friction?
- the system shall work with different weights (“persons”)?
- we have a more complicated problem (2D, 2 poles, ...)?

# Exercise: Pole Balancing

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# Introduction to Fuzzy Logic

# Fuzzy Logic

- introduced by **Lotfi A. Zadeh** at the University of California, Berkeley (*fuzzy sets* in 1965 and *fuzzy logic* in 1973)
- a **mathematical tool** to deal with **uncertainties**
- often described as “**computing with words**”<sup>1</sup>
  - e.g. {low, medium, high} instead of {0,1}
  - or “short” instead of “< 1 meter”



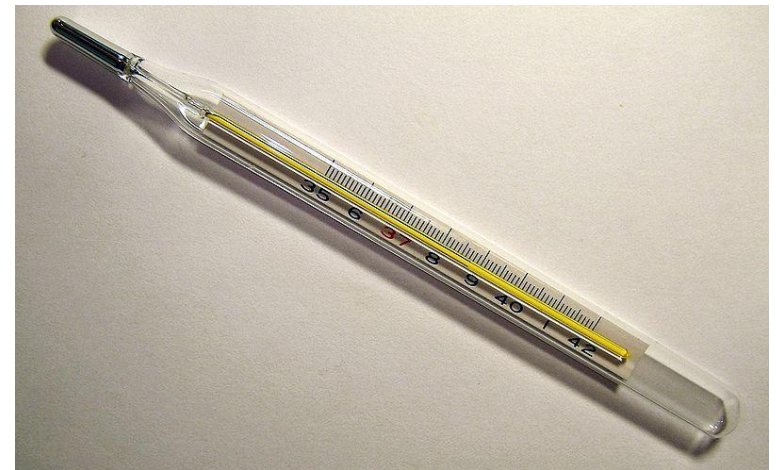
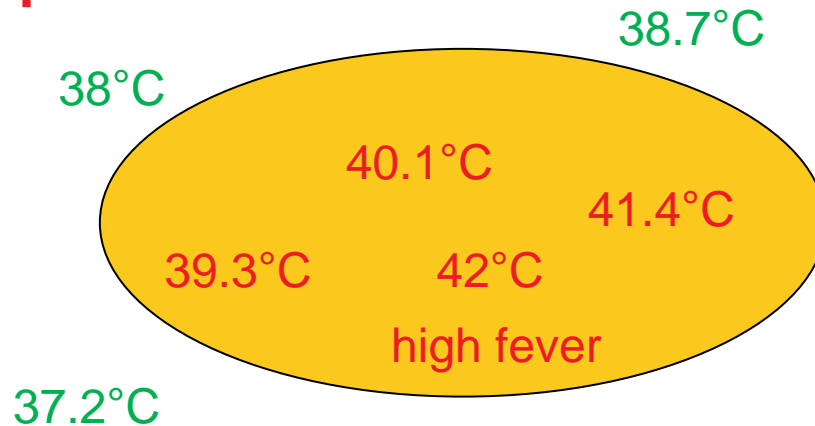
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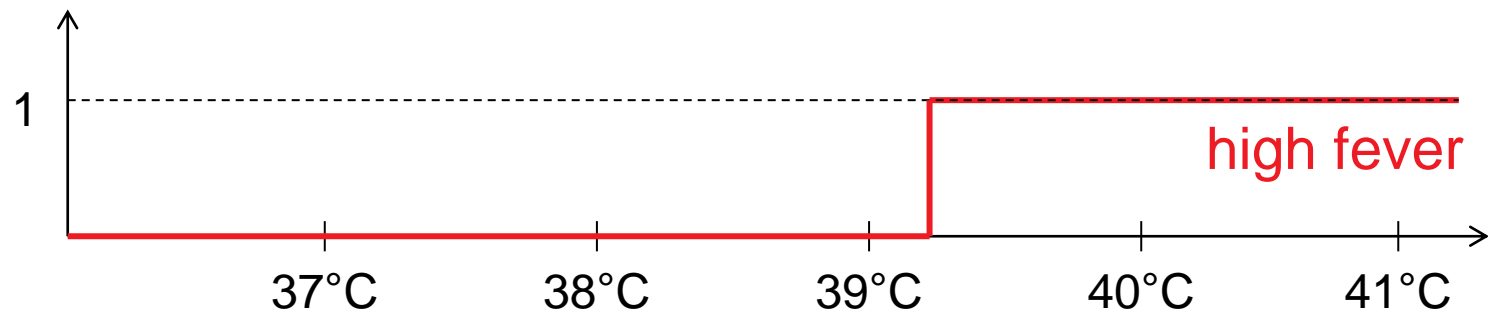
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## Example: fever



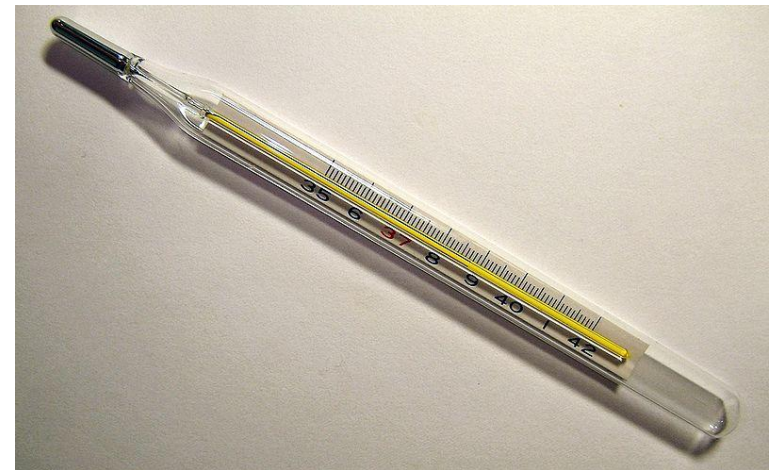
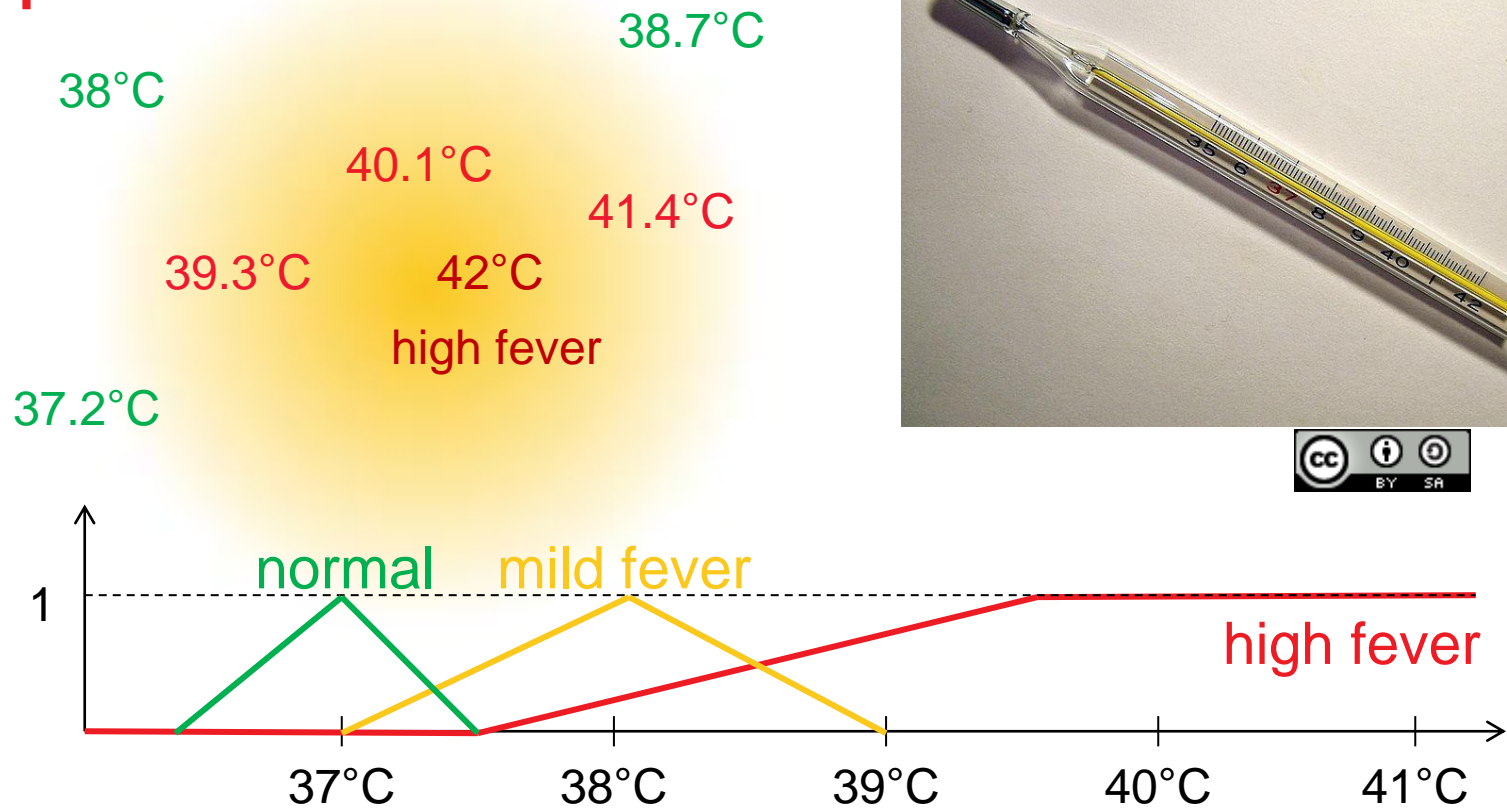
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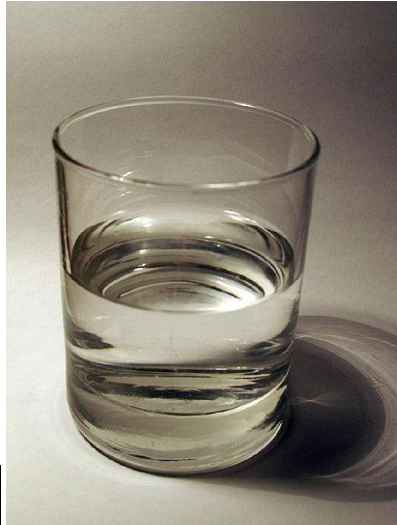
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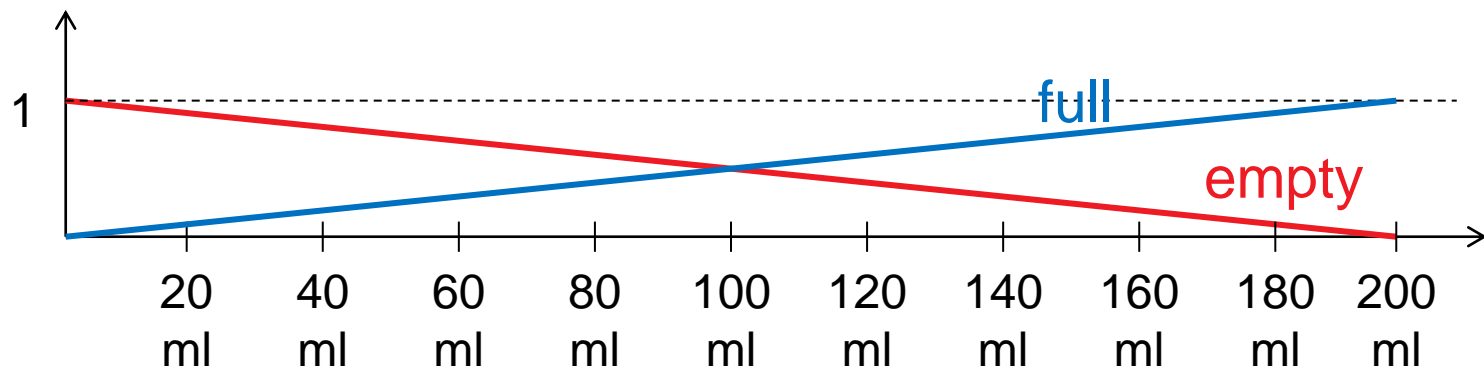


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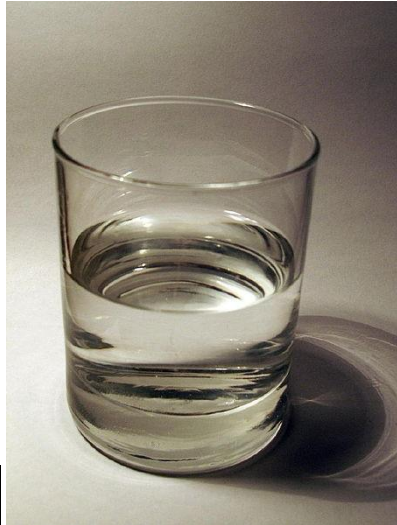
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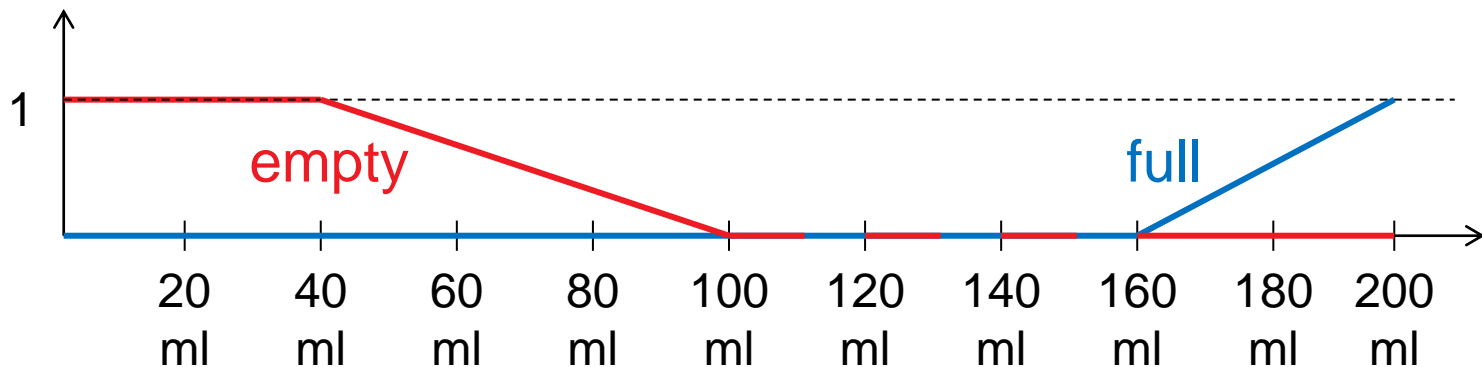
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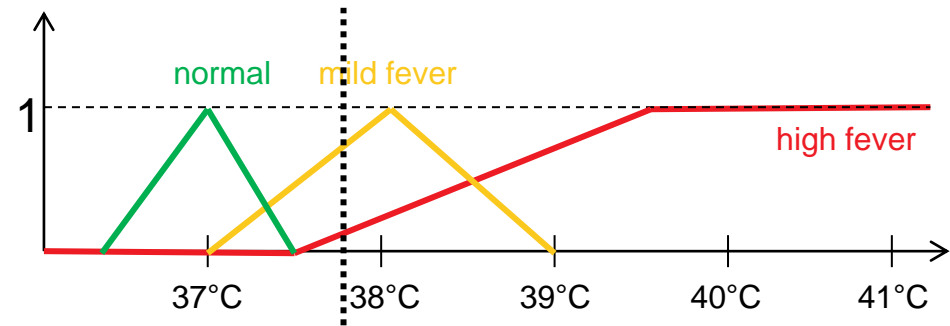




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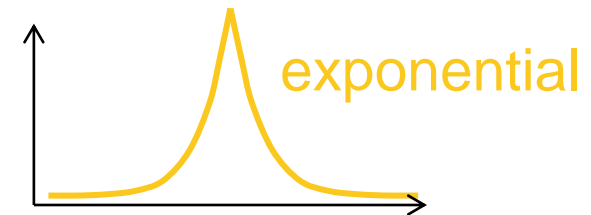
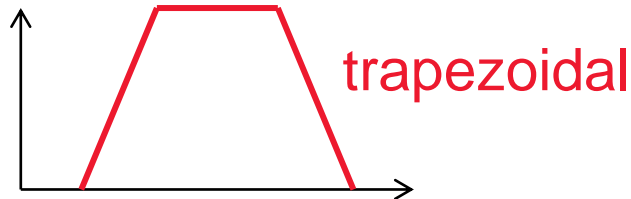
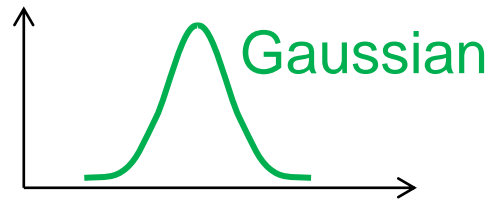
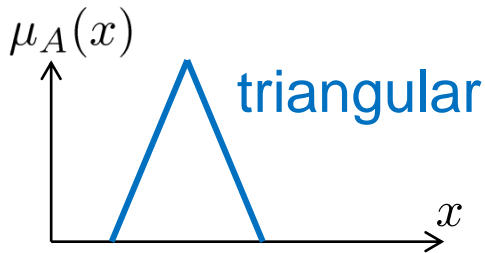
## Fuzzification:

= transferring a real-valued variable into a fuzzy one



80% mild and 10% high fever

Several membership functions  $\mu_A(x)$  known to do that:



**In the end...**

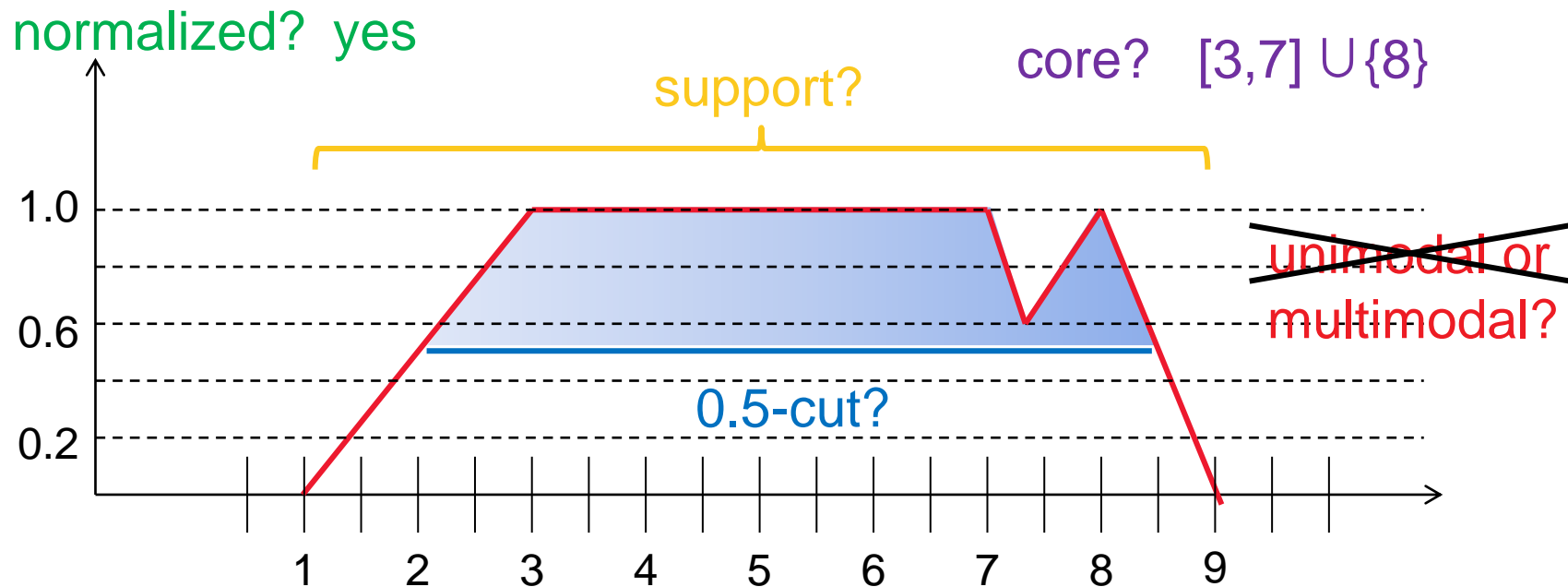
...everything is based on intuition (there are no strict rules)

# Properties of Membership Functions

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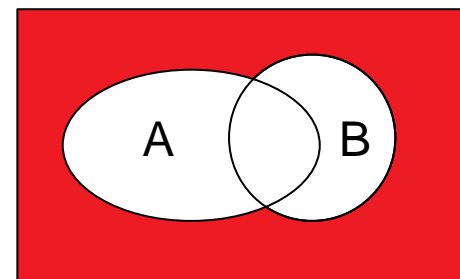
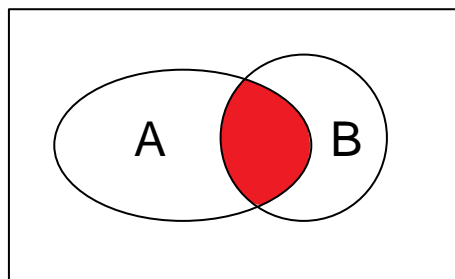
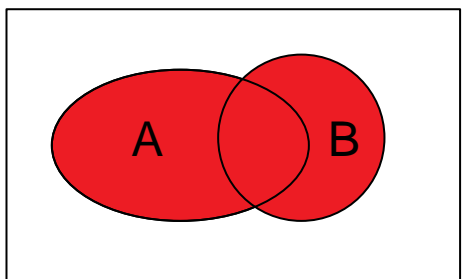
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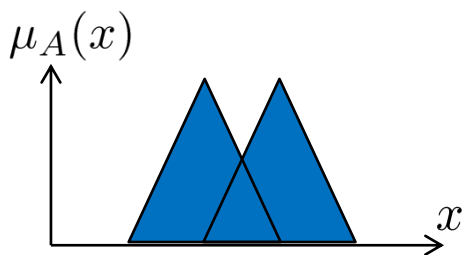
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Union, intersection, and complement:

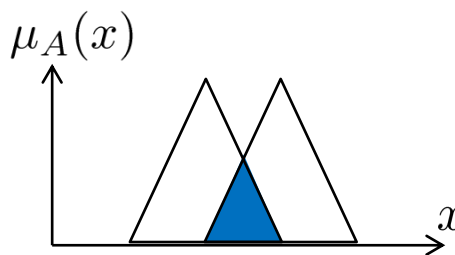
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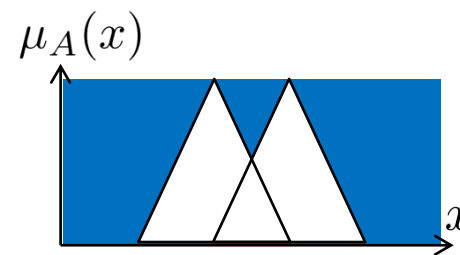
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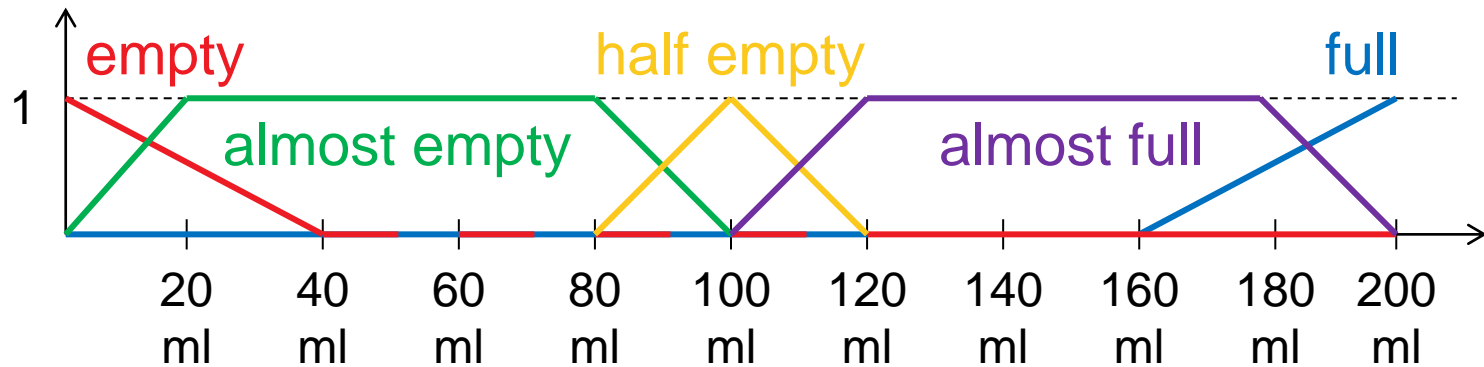


intersection = min



complement =  $1-x$

# Defuzzifying



How do we get back “crisp” numbers (fuzzy set  $\rightarrow$  real number)?

- there are many ways of doing it!

**Maximum defuzzification:** take  $x^*$  with  $\forall x : \mu_A(x^*) \geq \mu_A(x)$

- simple but not accurate if  $\mu_A$  multimodal

**Centroid defuzzification:** 
$$x^* = \frac{\int \mu_A(x)x dx}{\int \mu_A(x) dx}$$

- very accurate
- might be complicated to compute
- often used

# Fuzzy Logic: Inferring Statements

## Classical Logic:

- IF  $p$  THEN  $q$
- equivalent to  $\neg p \vee q$

	q = true	q = false
p = true	true	false
p = false	true	true

## Fuzzy Logic:

- not so easy with fuzzy sets
  - interpretation as  $\neg p \vee q$  results in some undesired effects
  - hence, rather “inference” than implication (for math. reasons)
- in general, implication is a function  $\mu(x, y) = \Phi(\mu_A(x), \mu_B(y))$
- > 40 different implication rules proposed
- here, we consider only three (the easy and most used ones)

# Fuzzy Logic: Inferring Statements

## The sharp implication:

- $$\mu(x, y) = \Phi(\mu_A(x), \mu_B(y)) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } \mu_A(x) \leq \mu_B(y) \\ 0 & \text{else} \end{cases}$$
- intuition: if  $X$  and  $Y$  are crisp sets, then  $X \Rightarrow Y$  iff  $X \subseteq Y$

	q=0	q=0.5	q=1
p=0	1	1	1
p=0.5	0	1	1
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## Mamdani's inference<sup>1</sup>:

membership function of implication:

$$\mu(x, y) = \Phi(\mu_A(x), \mu_B(y)) = \min(\mu_A(x), \mu_B(y))$$

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## Larsen Product implication<sup>1</sup>:

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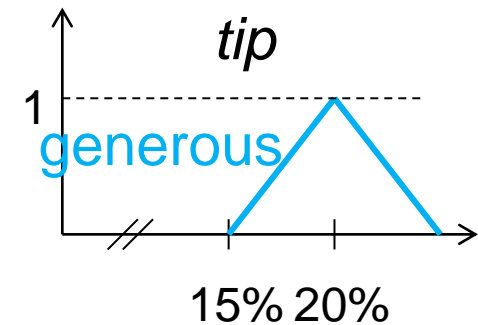
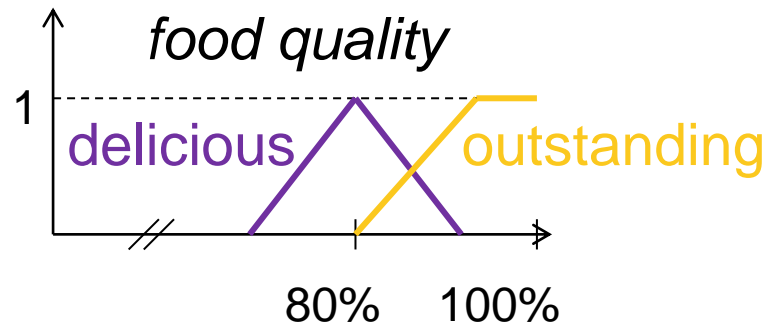
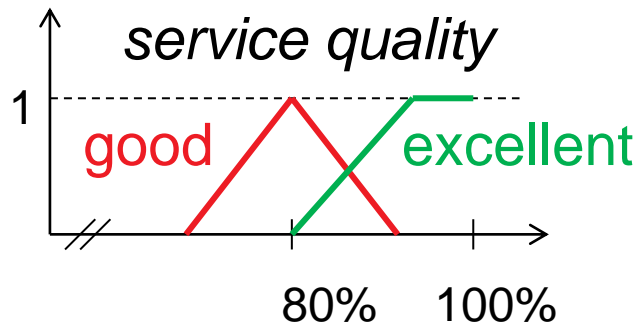
again: only  $\frac{1}{4}$  of corner  
values equal 2-valued logic!  
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p=0	0	0	0
p=0.5	0	0.25	0.5
p=1	0	0.5	1

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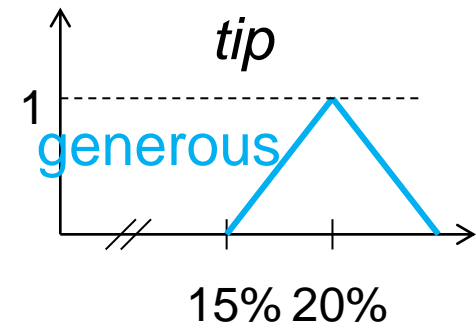
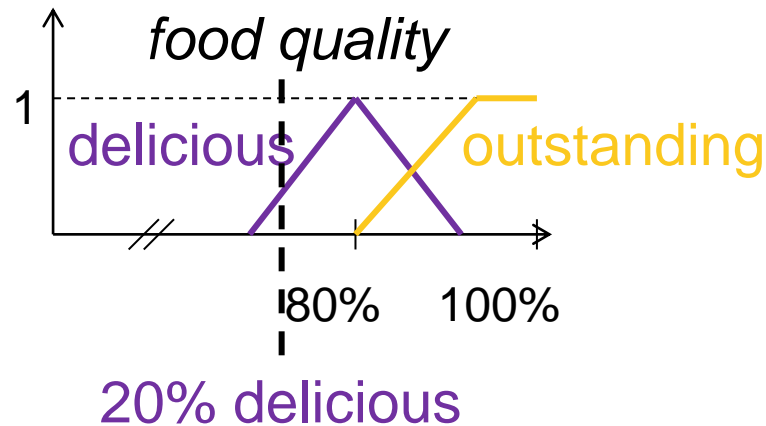


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## What happens for different service and food qualities?

- 1 fuzzify inputs
- 2 compute value of left-hand side
- 3 then apply above rule (e.g. wrt. Mamdani's rule)
- 4 use defuzzification rule (e.g. centroid)

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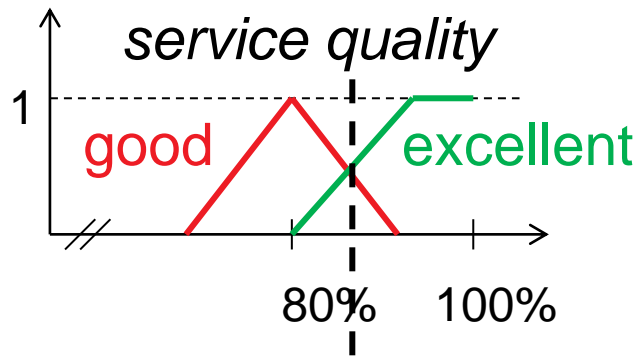


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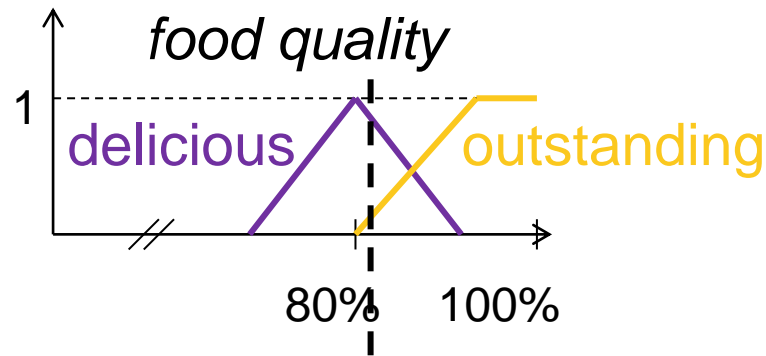
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- ① fuzzify:
  - 60% excellent AND 20% delicious

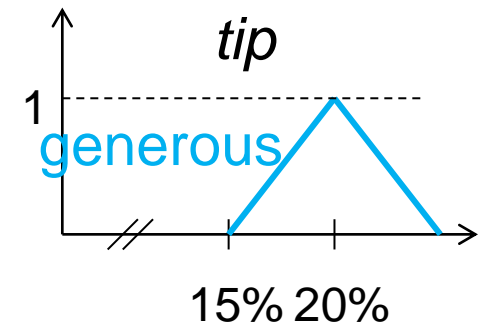
# Example



50% excellent



90% delicious

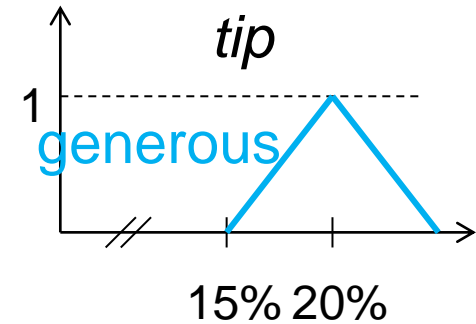
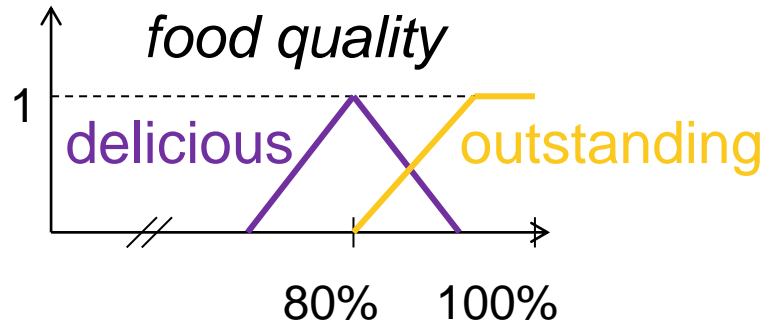
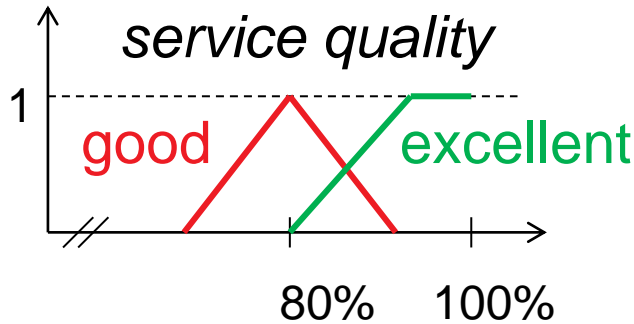


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## What happens for different service and food qualities?

- 1 fuzzify:
  - 60% excellent AND 20% delicious
  - 50% excellent AND 90% delicious
- 2 compute value of left-hand: here “AND = min.”
  - 20%
  - 50%

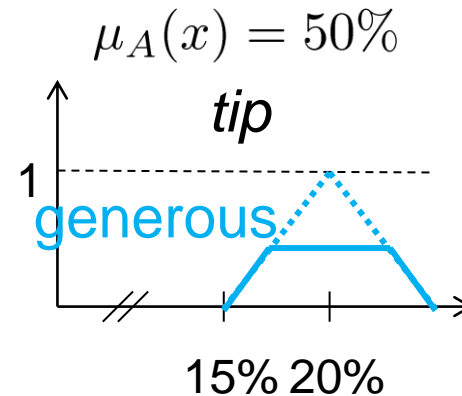
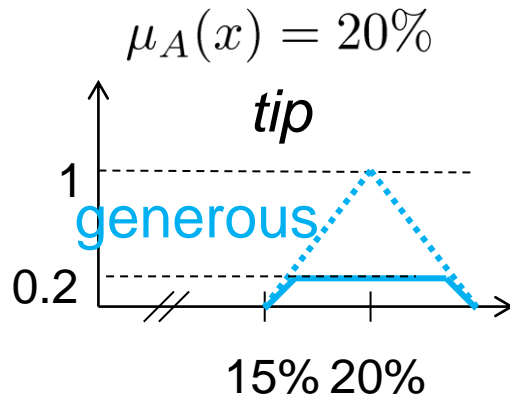
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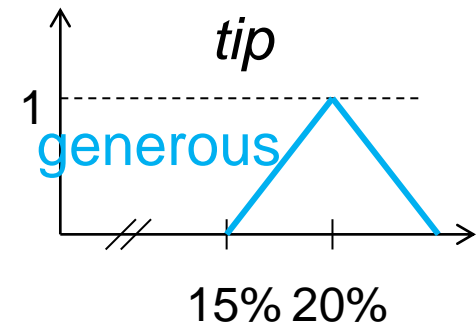
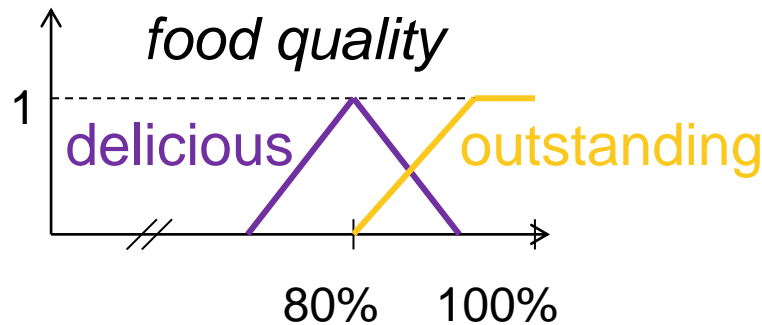
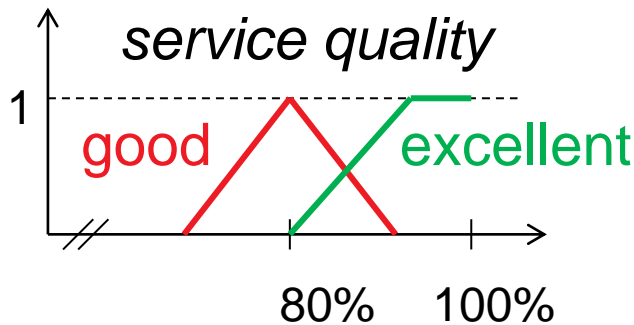
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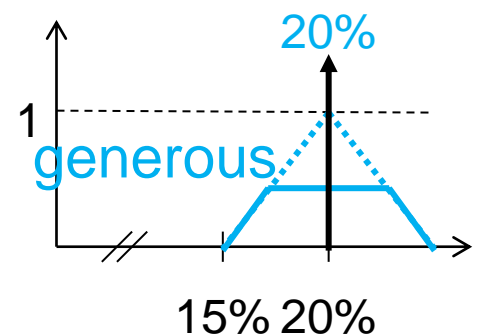
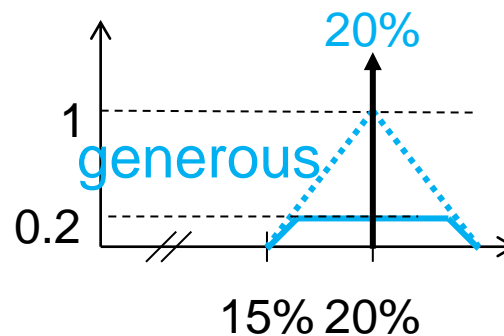
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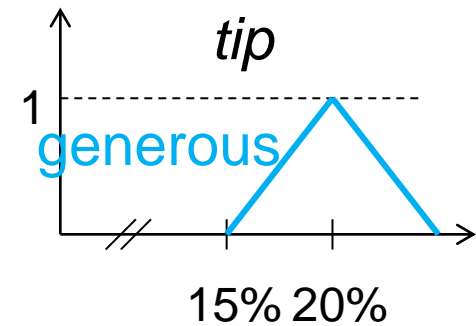
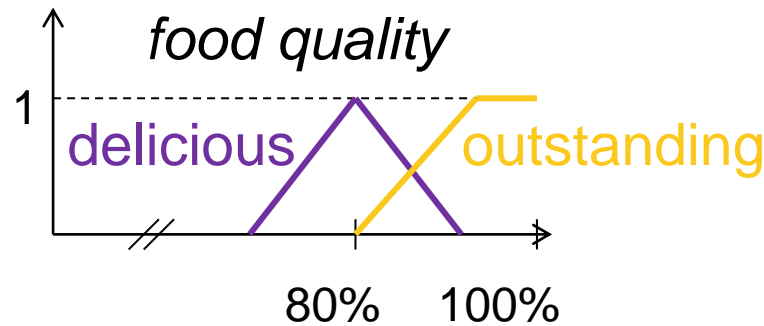
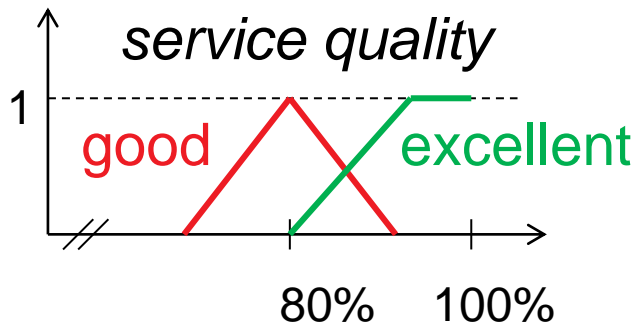
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- ④ use defuzzification rule (e.g. centroid)  
here: same result, but also only 1 rule applied



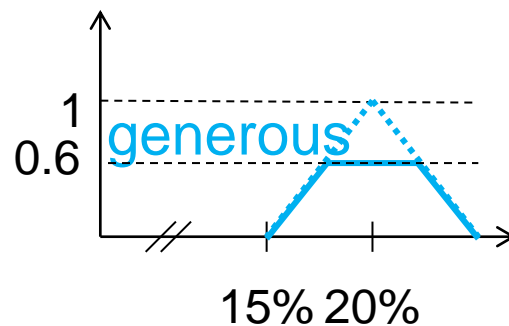
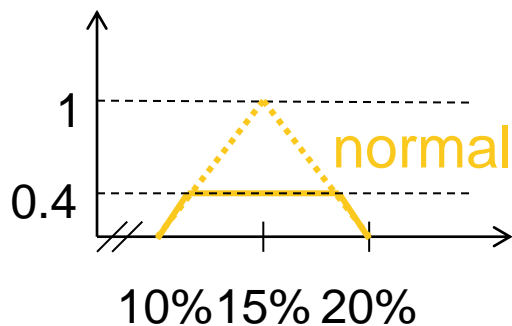
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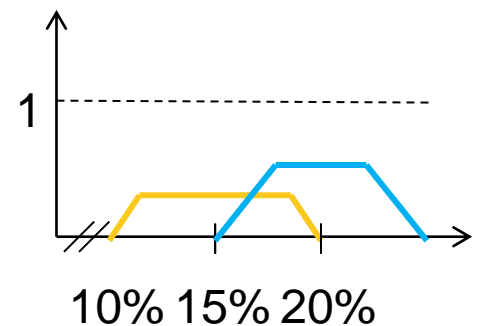
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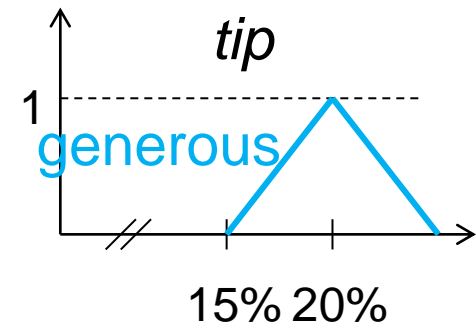
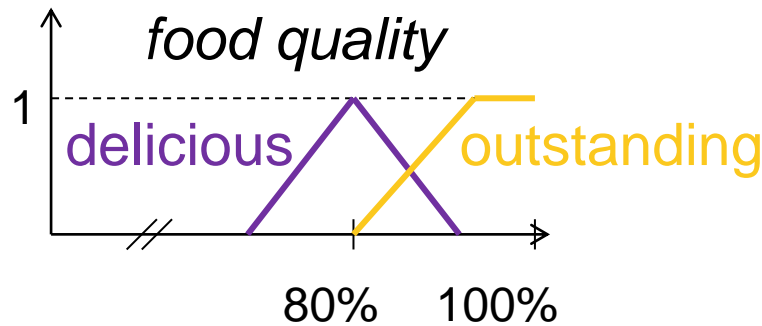
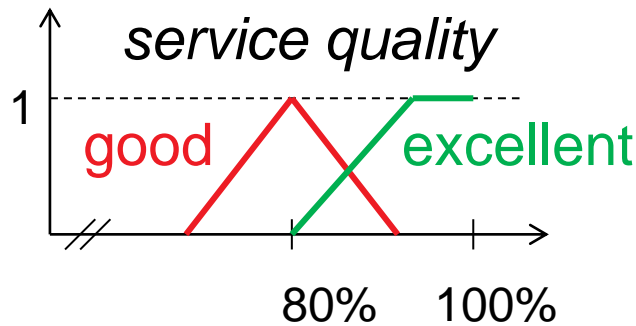
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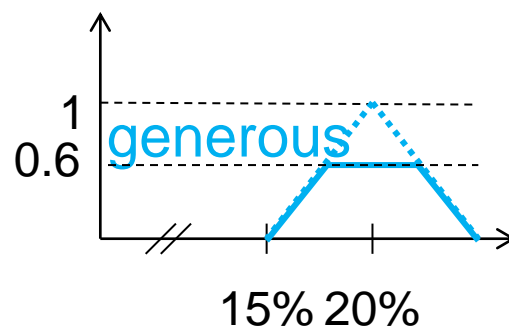
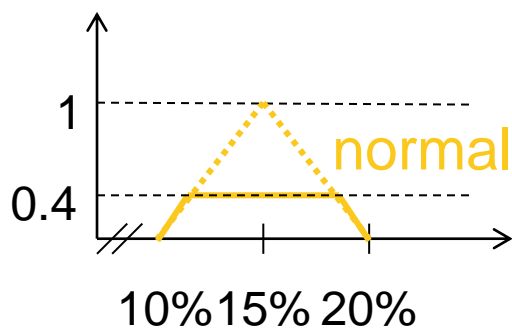
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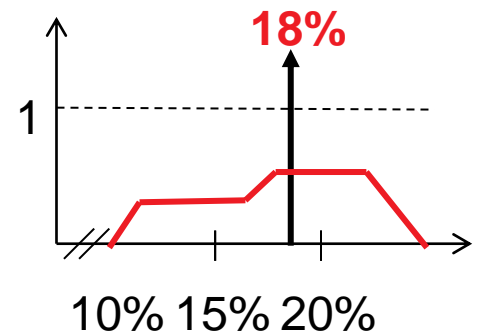
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## “Classical” control:

- mathematical (“crisp”) formulations
- based on mathematical models, especially ODEs
- e.g. " $210^{\circ}\text{C} < \text{TEMP} < 220^{\circ}\text{C}$ "

## Fuzzy control:

- design formalized by words
- based on experience of the designer
- e.g. "IF (process is too cool) AND (process is getting colder) THEN (add heat to the process)" or "IF (process is too hot) AND (process is heating rapidly) THEN (cool the process quickly)"



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<b>not enough</b>	increase hot	increase hot & cold	increase cold
<b>fine</b>	decrease cold & increase hot	do nothing	increase cold & decrease hot
<b>too much</b>	decrease cold	decrease hot & cold	decrease hot

e.g. IF temperature is fine AND water flow is not enough THEN increase both cold and hot water

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Example: **electric heater**

- given: goal temperature  $T_{opt}$
- measured: temperature  $T$  and temperature change  $dT/dt$
- controlled inputs: heat (heating on) and cool (fan on)
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temperature change: $d(T - T_{opt})/dt$	negative	heat	heat	cool
	zero	heat	do nothing	cool
	positive	heat	cool	cool

# Remarks on Rule Matrices

- nothing fancy, but assisting to not forget a rule
- not much helpful if  $>2$  input variables
- not always necessary to define output for all input combinations
- not usable if rules are not of the form “IF a AND b THEN c”
- odd number of rows and columns often helpful (to have a “zero” state with no change)

## Again: What if a fuzzified “crisp” input value fire $>1$ rule?

- then: aggregation (union, max) of output membership functions

# How to Design a Fuzzy Controller

- 1) Define **control objectives** and **criteria**  
What am I trying to control? What do I have to do to control the system? What kind of response do I need? What are the possible (probable) system failure modes?
- 2) Determine **input/output relationships** and choose the **variables**.
- 3) Break the control problem down into a series of **IF X AND Y THEN Z rules** (or similar) that define the desired system output response for given system input conditions.  
! If possible, use at least one variable and its time derivative.
- 4) Create Fuzzy Logic **membership functions** and decide on **inference rules** that define the meaning (values) of the Input/Output terms used in your rules.
- 5) **Implement** the system in software (or hardware).
- 6) **Test, evaluate, and tune** the rules and membership functions, until satisfactory results are obtained.

according to the Fuzzy Logic Tutorial by Steven D. Kaehler  
<http://www.seattlerobotics.org/encoder/mar98/fuz/flindex.html>

# **Exercise:**

# **A Fuzzy Controller for the Pole Balancing Problem**

# Conclusions

I hope it became clear...

...what **advanced control** is about

...what the **pole balancing problem** is

...what a **fuzzy control system** is

...and that designing a good controller is **not always easy**